

CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing, Applicant submits that the independent claims patentably define the present invention over the citations of record. Further, the dependent claims should also be allowable for the same reasons as their respective base claims and further due to the additional features that they recite. Separate and individual consideration of the dependent claims is respectfully requested.

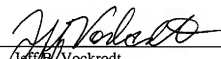
An indication of allowance of all claims is respectfully solicited. In the event any issues remain, Applicants would appreciate the courtesy of a telephone call to their counsel to resolve such issues and place all claims in condition for allowance.

Applicants believe that all necessary fees are enclosed. However, if any additional fees are determined to be required, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge these fees to **Deposit Account No. 50-2536.**

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